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SUBJECT: SOVIET UNION SEEKS LIBERIAN CO-SPONSORSHIP OF DISARMAMENT
RESOLUTIONS AT UNGA

1. ASSISTANT FOREIGN MINISTER DUNN TOLD EMBOFF OCTOBER 11 THAT
SOVIET UNION HAD REQUESTED GOL TO CO-SPONSOR TWO SOVIET RESOLU-
TIONS AT UNGA. ONE CONCERNS " CONCLUSION OF A TREATY ON THE
COMPLETE AND GENERAL PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS."
OTHER, IN FIRST COMMITTEE, AGENDA ITEM 126, (DOCUMENT NO.
A/C.1/L.711 DATED OCTOBER 2, 1975) CALLS FOR "PROHIBITION OF THE
DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURE OF NEW TYPES OF WEAPONS OF MASS DES-
TRUCTION AND OF NEW SYSTEMS OF SUCH WEAPONS." DUNN SAID GOL "IS
INCLINED TO CO-SPONSOR" BUT WOULD APPRECIATE USG VIEWS SOONEST.

2. EMBOFF SAID HE DID NOT RECALL HAVING RECEIVED SPECIFIC
GUIDANCE ON USG VIEW OF THESE RESOLUTIONS BUT WOULD SEEK IT. HE
NOTED IMPORTANCE OF APPROPRIATE FORUM TO DISCUSS SUCH MATTERS,
LEAST THEY MERELY BECOME VEHICLES FOR PROPAGANDA EXERCISE, WITH
WHICH GOL PRESUMABLY WOULD NOT WISH TO BE ASSOCIATED. AS TO
CTB, EMBOFF NOTED THAT, A MAJOR POINT OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
US AND USSR HAS ALWAYS BEEN ON VERIFICATION PROCEDURES, WITH
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3. COMMENT. SEEMS CLEAR GOL, HAVING AGREED TO CO-SPONSOR "FREINDLY" RESOLUTION (AS OF OCTOBER 11 GOL HAD NOT DECIDED TO OPPOSE ALGERIAN RESOLUTION) ON KOREA, IS LOOKING FOR PLACES TO SHOW BALANCE IN ITS SUPPORT AND TO DEMONSTRATE GOL IS NOT TOTALLY COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING USG ON UN ISSUES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED. REQUEST GUIDANCE FOR RESPONDING TO GOL'S REQUEST FOR USG VIEWS ON SOVIET RESOLUTIONS AND ON GOL'S CO-SPONSORSHIP OF EITHER OR BOTH.

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